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Applicant(s):

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Application No.:

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Group:

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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION

SIR:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the office action dated May 5 2003.

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